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### **Digest of Other White House Announcements**

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The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

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#### **September 27**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, on the South Lawn, he and Mrs. Bush participated in commemorative tree planting ceremonies with their daughter Jenna and her husband, Henry Hager.

#### **September 29**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had separate telephone conversations with several Republican Members of Congress to discuss proposed economic stabilization legislation.

The President announced his intention to nominate G. David Banks to be Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (International Activities).

The President announced his intention to nominate David Kelly to be Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration at the Department of Transportation.

The President announced his intention to appoint Brent R. Benjamin as a member of the Cultural Property Advisory Committee.

#### **September 30**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had separate telephone conversations with Republican Presidential nominee John McCain and Democrat Presidential nominee Barack Obama to discuss proposed economic stabilization legislation.

The President announced his intention to nominate Robert W. McGowan to be a Governor of the Board of Governors of the U.S. Postal Service.

#### **October 1**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had separate telephone conversations with several Members of Congress to discuss proposed economic

stabilization legislation. He then had several meetings with his economic advisers.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Secretary of the Treasury Henry M. Paulson, Jr., and Chairman of the Federal Reserve Ben S. Bernanke to discuss the financial markets and proposed economic stabilization legislation.

In the evening, the President had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Manmohan Singh of India to discuss the passage of H.R. 7081, the United States-India Nuclear Cooperation Approval and Non-proliferation Enhancement Act.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Ivan Gasparovic of Slovakia to the White House on October 9.

The President declared a major disaster in Puerto Rico and ordered Federal aid to supplement Commonwealth and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding beginning on September 21 and continuing.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jonathan R. Scharfen to be Director of the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services at the Department of Homeland Security.

The President announced his intention to designate F. Chase Hutto III as Acting Assistant Secretary of Energy (International Affairs and Domestic Policy).

#### **October 2**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

During the day, the President had separate telephone conversations with several Members of the House of Representatives to discuss proposed economic stabilization legislation.

#### **October 3**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, at the Treasury Department, the President met with Secretary of the Treasury Henry M. Paulson, Jr., and Treasury Department employees. Later, he traveled to St. Louis, MO, where, at a private residence, he attended a Hulshof for Governor dinner.

During the day, the President had separate telephone conversations with several Members of Congress to discuss proposed economic stabilization legislation.

In the evening, the President traveled to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister Tilmann Thomas of Grenada to the White House on October 8.

The President declared a major disaster in New Hampshire and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding on September 6–7.

The President declared a major disaster in Illinois and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding beginning on September 13 and continuing.

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### **Nominations Submitted to the Senate**

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The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

#### **Submitted September 29**

G. David Banks,  
of Missouri, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, vice Judith Elizabeth Ayres, resigned.

David Kelly,  
of New York, to be Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, vice Nicole R. Nason, resigned.

#### **Submitted September 30**

Robert W. McGowan,  
of Nevada, to be a Governor of the U.S. Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2015, vice Alan Craig Kessler, term expiring.

#### **Submitted October 1**

Jonathan R. Scharfen,  
of Virginia, to be Director of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, vice Emilio T. Gonzalez.

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### **Checklist of White House Press Releases**

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The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

#### **Released September 29**

Transcript of a press briefing by Deputy Press Secretary Tony Fratto

Fact sheet: A Strong Bipartisan Proposal To Stabilize Our Financial System

#### **Released September 30**

Transcript of a press briefing by Deputy Press Secretary Tony Fratto

Statement by the Deputy Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 1777 and H.R. 6984

#### **Released October 1**

Transcript of a press briefing by Deputy Press Secretary Tony Fratto

Statement by the Deputy Press Secretary: Visit of President Ivan Gasparovic of the Slovak Republic

Statements by the Deputy Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 2608, S. 171, S. 2339, S. 3009, and S. 3241

Statement by the Deputy Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Puerto Rico

#### **Released October 2**

Transcript of a press briefing by Deputy Press Secretary Tony Fratto

Statement by the Deputy Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 5551, H.R. 5893, and S. 996

#### **Released October 3**

Transcript of a press briefing by Deputy Press Secretary Tony Fratto